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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY BINDER

REF: BUCHAREST 4495

1. DOT APPRECIATES ARRANGEMENTS MADE ON BINDER'S BEHALF. AS NOTED IN STATE'S 188498 CONFIRMATION OF BINDER'S ARRIVAL WILL BE FORTHCOMING FROM TEHRAN (AS SECRETARY KISSINGER MAY REQUIRE BINDER TO REMAIN FOR JOINT COMMISSION MEETING) AND BOTH HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS OF BINDER PROGRAM WITH MOTT SHOULD TAKE THIS INTO ACCOUNT.

2. UNDERSTANDING AT DOT IS THAT BINDER'S PROGRAM BEING ARRANGED BY MOTT AND WILL INCLUDE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON AND VISITS TO TRANSPORTATION RELATED FACILITIES (AND PERHAPS OVERNIGHTING) OUTSIDE OF BUCHAREST.

3. NEWLY APPOINTED AMBASSADOR NICOLAI RAISED FOLLOWING TRANSPORTATION MATTERSDURING CALL (7-30) ON SECRETARY COLEMAN:

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A. MOTT INTEREST IN COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES INVOLVING

CONTAINER TRANSPORT.

B. ROMANIAN INTEREST IN PURCHASING THREE USED (FOR CARGO) AND THREE NEW (FOR PASSENGERS) BOEING 707'S AND USED U.S. SHIPS FOR USE ON THE BLACK SEA. NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNDERWAY WITH BOEING OVER NOISE REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS AND WITH UNNAMED U.S. SOURCES FOR SHIPS.

C. ROMANIAN INTEREST IN MARKETING IN U.S. SPORT GLIDERS (AIRWORTHINESS AGREEMENT WAS SAID TO BE UNDER NEGOTIATION WITH STATE) AND DIESEL SWITCHING ENGINES (CURRENTLY BEING TESTED IN THE U.S. BY SEVERAL NORTHERN RAILROADS FOR COLD WEATHER OPERATIONS).

D. REITERATION OF INVITATION TO THE SECRETARY TO VISIT ROMANIA. BINDER WILL NOT RAISE NEW SUBJECTS BUT WILL BE AWARE OF ISSUES RELATED TO FOREGOING. KISSINGER

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